

May 28, 2009

Rep. Luján will Join Financial Counselors, Outline Credit Card Holders' Bill of Rights, Provide Assistance for New Mexicans

Santa Fe, NM – On Saturday, Rep. Ben Ray Luján will hold a panel discussion to outline the benefits of the Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights and a workshop to help families who are seeking more information and financial assistance regarding their credit cards. Rep. Luján will join financial advisors and community advocates who specialize in helping families and individuals who need advice or assistance with their credit cards. Rep. Luján cosponsored the Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights, which was recently signed into law by President Obama.

“The Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights takes steps to protect families who have worked hard and used their credit card responsibly, only to be charged with arbitrary rate increases, unfair penalties for on time payments and hidden fees,” said Rep. Luján. “The panel discussion will outline the benefits of the Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights and the workshop will provide assistance and advice to families and individuals who are having trouble with their credit cards.”

Who: Rep. Ben Ray Luján and representatives from Money Management International, HELP New Mexico, Law Access New Mexico, National Association of Consumer Advocacy, University of New Mexico PIRG, and Focus Foundation.

What: Panel Discussion on the Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights and Advice and Assistance Workshop on Credit Cards

When: Saturday, May 30

- **3:00 pm (MT): Panel Discussion on the benefits of the Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights with Rep. Ben Ray Luján and representatives from financial education groups, community organizations, and financial counselors.**
- **3:30 pm (MT) to 5:00 pm (MT): Credit Card Advice and Assistance Workshop with representatives from financial education groups, community organizations, and financial counselors.**

Where: Rio Rancho Public Library, 755 Loma Colorado Street NE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124